

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT[641]

Notice of Intended Action

Proposing rule making related to emergency medical services training program and providing an opportunity for public comment

The Public Health Department hereby proposes to amend Chapter 139, “Emergency Medical Services—Training Programs—Students—Complaints and Investigations,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code chapter 147A.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code chapter 147A and 2021 Iowa Acts, Senate File 615.

Purpose and Summary

These proposed amendments implement the provisions of 2021 Iowa Acts, Senate File 615, that allow a medical care ambulance service or nontransport service that has received authorization from the Department to conduct emergency medical care service training.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to the Department’s waiver provisions contained in 641—Chapter 178.

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on October 12, 2021. Comments should be directed to:

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Public Hearing

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b,” an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee's meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

The following rule-making actions are proposed:

ITEM 1. Amend rule ~~641~~—**139.2(147A)**, definition of “EMS training program,” as follows:

“EMS training program” or “training program” means an Iowa college approved by the Higher Learning Commission, ~~or an Iowa hospital authorized by the department,~~ or a service program that has received authorization from the department to conduct emergency medical care training.

ITEM 2. Amend paragraph **139.4(1)“a”** as follows:

a. Have a sponsoring institution that is ~~accredited by the Higher Learning Commission or its equivalent, that is recognized by the United States Department of Education as an approved Iowa college,~~ or that is an Iowa licensed hospital that is approved by the department has received authorization from the department to conduct emergency medical care services training.